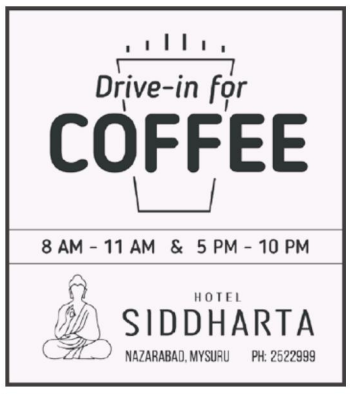

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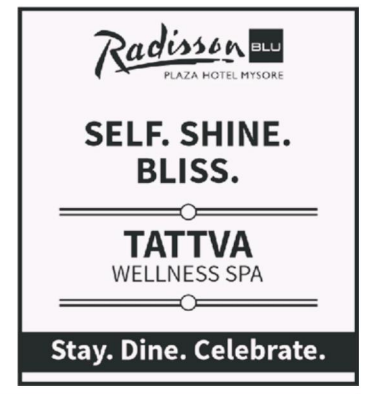

Mysuru's pending traffic fine is...

Rs. 642 cr.!

Government offers 50% discount on pending fines if paid between June 21 and July 10, 2026

Backlog penalties

- **Mysuru City Police:** Rs. 458 crore from 1.04 crore cases
- **District Police:** Rs. 184 crore from 36.73 lakh cases
- **Transport Department:** Rs. 55.11 lakh from 1,656 cases

Mysuru, June 9 (PM&BS)- In the backdrop of the 50 percent rebate scheme announced for the period between June 21 and July 10, it has come to light now that under the Mysuru City Police limits, 1,04,18,480 cases are pending, with a total fine amount of Rs. 458,04,01,700.

Under the District Police limits, 36,73,737 cases are pending, with fines amounting to Rs. 184,05,74,500. In total, 1,40,92,217 cases are pending across the city and district limits, with a whopping Rs. 642,09,76,200 (approximately Rs. 642 crore) due in fines.

In Transport Department records, the Regional Transport Office (RTO), East, has 792 pending cases with fines worth Rs. 24.12 lakh, while the Hunsur RTO Division has 864 cases with Rs. 30.99 lakh pending. In total, 1,656 cases amounting to Rs. 55.11 lakh remain to be collected.

Judge directive

Principal District and Sessions Court Judge K.N. Usharani has directed officials from various departments, including the Police, to take necessary steps to collect pending traffic fines under a 50 percent rebate (discount) scheme announced for the period between June 21 and July 10.

(See TRAFFIC FINE on page 6)

Hectic lobbying on for MDA Commissioner's post

- Two women KAS Officers from Mysuru in the race for coveted seat
- K.R. Rakshith transferred as Private Secretary to UD Minister Dr. Yathindra

K.R. Rakshith

M.K. Savitha

M.J. Roopa

Mysuru, June 9 (BLU&BCT)- It is official. The D.K. Shivakumar Government has appointed K.R. Rakshith, who was serving as Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) Special Land Acquisition Officer and in-charge MDA Commissioner, as Private Secretary to Urban Development (UD) Minister Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, son of former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah.

Meanwhile, hectic lobbying has begun for the MDA Commissioner's post, with two senior KAS officers from Mysuru reportedly in the race for the coveted position. However, the final decision rests with the Shivakumar-led Government.

(See LOBBYING on page 6)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 9th June 2026

MGP meeting on June 14 to discuss status of footpath encroachment

Mysuru, June 9- The monthly meeting of Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) will be held on June 14 (Sunday) at its office, 6/1, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, Mysuru, at 4 pm to achieve the unachievable — giving footpath back to pedestrians.

The discussion will be initiated by Dr. H.S. Champa, Dean of Mysuru School of Architecture. She will share data based on an ongoing study by the students on the latest status of footpath all over the city with some preliminary recommendations, stated the MGP in a press release.

Representatives from Police Department and Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) will share their view points on the latest status of footpath encroachment — action taken by the authorities following Supreme Court (SC) judgement; funds allocated in the budget; strategies to relocate the permitted street vendors; measures taken to stop parking of vehicles on footpaths, etc.

In a landmark decision in May 2025 (there have been two earlier in 2014 and 2017), the Supreme Court had reiterated that the right to safe, unhindered and disabled friendly footpaths is an integral part of Right to Life under Article 21 of Constitution. This was followed by another SC judgement ordering a nation-wide audit of footpaths in 50 cities last October.

The directive was in response to alarming statistics: In 2023, pedestrians accounted for 35,221 of 1,72,890 road accident deaths, many caused by absence of footpaths or missing zebra crossings.

In Mysuru itself the shocking fatality of a senior citizen run over by a KSRTC bus near Vivekananda Circle and the heart-wrenching story of a four-year-old boy losing his life after being splashed with hot oil from a vendor's stove on an encroached footpath in N.R. Mohalla last year should show the urgency to clear footpath encroachment.

Citizens who wish to ask questions are requested to e-mail them in advance to *mygrapa@gmail.com.* For details contact MGP on Ph: 0821-2515150.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

DUTIES CITED IN TIRUKKURAL: ***Whenever we face difficult moments in life, our religion extends a helping hand and encourages us not to fear, said Lanka Jeyaraj in a discourse. Death is undoubtedly a major loss in our worldly sense; however, our spiritual philosophy teaches us that it is an illusion. Our existence is made of both body and life force, soul. Though the physical form is left behind, the life force does not cease to exist. Based on our actions,*** *karma* ***and transitions, the journey continues until the soul achieves spiritual maturity. For further understanding, the five acts of God are creation, preservation, destruction, concealment and grace. Concealment means that God hides the ultimate truth until our*** *karma* ***is resolved and then reveals it through his grace. Manikkavasakar says God cannot be fully understood through intellect or knowledge alone.***

Attaining the divine feet of God is possible only by letting go of worldly attachments. *Tirukkural,* ***a great work by Tiruvalluvar, places Tamils on a global pedestal. For any civilisation, having a text like*** *Tirukkural* ***alone is enough. It is a timeless work that openly explains the deeper truth and principles behind life and creation.*** *Tirukkural* ***is divided into four sections: virtue, wealth, love and liberation or salvation. He also emphasises that God cannot be fully attained through grammar or knowledge, but can be realised through renunciation. He believes that if virtue is deeply rooted in a society, no one can destroy it.*** *Tirukkural* ***explains that*** *Aram* ***(virtue) is divided into*** *Illaram* ***(householder's life) and*** *Thuravaram* ***(aesthetic life). He describes 11 duties that a person should fulfil. These include protecting the*** *Brahmacharis, Vanaprastha,* ***maintaining aesthetics and renunciation, caring for those in need, honouring the departed ancestors, worshipping the divine, showing hospitality to guests, caring for relatives and society and, finally, protecting oneself.*** *— In The Hindu*

NEWS SPARKLERS

42-year-old landmark hotel imploded

Arlington: A 19-story landmark hotel in Arlington, Texas, was demolished to make way for a new luxury resort and the implosion took less than a minute.

The former Sheraton Arlington was imploded on Saturday morning before a crowd of onlookers in the city's Entertainment District.

Dust billowed into the air while onlookers filmed the spectacle. Some people could be heard cheering in the background.

The Sheraton Hotel in Arlington was brought down in a controlled explosion.

The Sheraton was built in 1984 to serve attendees at the nearby Arlington Expo Centre, which is now known as the Esports Stadium Arlington.

The 311-room hotel was demolished to make way for a new luxury hotel development, Americana by Loews. The 507-room facility will be Loews' third property in the Entertainment District.

Woman impersonates 12-year-old girl

Joinville: A 37-year-old woman was discovered impersonating a 12-year-old girl with a history of abuse in an attempt to convince a local family to adopt her. An investigation found that the woman was a repeat offender who had previously impersonated minors in Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, and Minas Gerais.

The 37-year-old woman claimed she was forced to take hormones as a child, which had an effect on her appearance and also that years of abuse from her father had taken a toll on her.

It was discovered that 12-year-old Gabriela was actually a 37-year-old woman who had pulled similar stunts in Brazil, living off of families who felt sorry for her.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Modern Stroke Care Saves Lives

Advances in neurointervention and stroke management can help restore blood flow to the brain and improve outcomes when treatment is sought promptly.

By Dr. Maqsood Ahmed - Senior Consultant
Neurosurgeon & Endovascular Surgeon, Manipal Hospitals Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

Two-day RISE Conclave in Bengaluru from June 13

Mysuru, June 9 (CG)- The Research-Industry-Startup-Entrepreneurship (RISE) Conclave-2026, jointly organised by Council of Scientific and Industrial Research-National Aerospace Laboratories (CSIR-NAL), Bengaluru, CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute (CSIR-CFTRI), Mysuru, and CSIR-4Pi, will be held at V.M. Ghatge Convention Centre, HAL Airport Road, Bengaluru, on June 13 and 14.

The Conclave brings together innovators, policymakers, industry experts, researchers, entrepreneurs and startups to explore transformative advancements in science, technology & innovation.

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State for Science & Technology & Earth Sciences and Dr. N. Kalaiselvi, Director-General, CSIR and Secretary, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR) will be the distinguished guests.

The event will feature eminent speakers from diverse domains, including aeronautics, food science and technology, artificial intelligence, deep technology, innovation and entrepreneurship.

A major highlight will be the Science & Technology Pavilions and Startup Exhibition, showcasing cutting-edge technologies, innovative products, translational research outcomes and startup success stories from across the country. **For details contact Dr. R. Suhas, Scientist In-charge, on Mob:80504-35060.**

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **81.36 feet**	Today's level **2,251.61 feet**	Today's level **2,823.57 feet**
Last year's level **108.26 feet**	Last year's level **2,278.92 feet**	Last year's level **2,851.71 feet**
Yesterday's level **81.35 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,251.54 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,823.52 feet**
Today's Inflow **581 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **890 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **266 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **436 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **600 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **180 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Glass sponges are ancient, deep-sea animals with skeletons made of silica (the same material as window glass). Some of these creatures can live for up to 15,000 years.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A teacher was teaching mathematical conversions to students...

Teacher: *If 1,000 kgs=ton. then, 3,000 kgs=how much?*

Student: *Ton! Ton! Ton!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 95.63**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 127.83**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 26.04**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 110.42**

VOICE OF THE READER

'House arrest', courtesy MCC

Sir,

The ongoing underground drainage (UGD) pipeline work on 2nd Cross Street near Surya Bakery Circle in Hebbal is being carried out in a highly unscientific manner, causing severe inconvenience to the residents and neighbourhood, leaving us feeling like prisoners of a self-imposed 'siege.'

Trenches six to seven feet deep have been dug for the pipeline, while excavated soil has been piled along the stretch, making movement through the street extremely difficult. We are struggling to navigate the narrowed and uneven pathway.

Stone slabs that were earlier placed in front of our houses have been removed under the pretext of laying concrete covers and left unutilised, further worsening access to homes.

With open trenches posing a constant risk right outside our doorsteps and no safe passage left, we are virtually under 'house arrest,' courtesy of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC).

We are suffering in helpless silence, reduced to mere spectators of our own misery. The situation has sparked anger among us and we urge the MCC to intervene and ensure that the work is carried out in a more systematic and safe manner, minimising hardship to the public.

— Aggrieved Residents
2nd Cross Street, Hebbal
7.6.2026

Villagers halt shoddy work; PWD orders road re-work

Night-time concreting, poor quality works trigger backlash in Kodagu

Madikeri, June 9 (PS&BCT)- The long-pending concrete road project between Alekatte and Inakanahalli in Somwarpet taluk of Kodagu district has come under severe criticism after villagers alleged poor workmanship, prompting them to stop the work and force the Public Works Department (PWD) to initiate re-laying of the stretch.

As per the tender conditions, the existing cement road was to be completely dismantled before fresh concrete was laid. However, residents alleged that the two-kilometre stretch, being executed at a cost of about Rs. 1 crore per kilometre, fell far below specifications, leading to public protests and removal of freshly laid concrete.

Hasty work at night

Villagers complained that concreting was being carried out hastily at night between 7 pm and midnight, using vehicle headlights for illumination.

They further alleged that mandatory guidelines requiring mechanised paver machines were ignored, with manual laying adopted instead. Residents said portions laid just a day earlier had already begun to crumble, with visible gaps and inadequate cement content.

Residents, including Baggannur Anil, also alleged that in several stretches, concrete was being laid directly over soil without proper preparation. A large group of villagers gathered at the site and demanded the presence of officials, questioning the lack of supervision.

Road to be re-laid

Assistant Executive Engineer Kumar of the PWD was confronted by angry villagers, who sought explanations for the nighttime execution and absence of monitoring. They also pointed out that nearly seven truckloads of concrete laid earlier had already broken up, with some sections reportedly having barely three inches of concrete over bare soil.

Following the confrontation, the engineer assured the villagers that defective portions would be removed and that quality standards would be strictly enforced. The contractor was directed to dismantle the unscientifically laid concrete, which was removed overnight using a machine and fresh work was ordered.

With the project already running behind schedule, residents have warned that substandard execution could lead to long-term damage. "If taxpayers' money is wasted on poor-quality roads, engineers must be held accountable," said Anil.

'GRS UpDown' in Mysuru ranks among Tripadvisor's top 10% globally

Yogesh Dange, Director, Baliga Investments Private Limited, unveils the Tripadvisor Travellers' Choice Award 2026 and presents it to the 'GRS UpDown' operations crew at the attraction in Metagalli, Mysuru as *(from right)* ***Srikanth (Assistant Manager, F&B), Sunil (Assistant Manager, Revenue Operations) and K.T. Srinivas (General Manager) look on.***

Mysuru, June 9- 'GRS UpDown,' a photography attraction in Metagalli built around upside-down sets and optical illusions, has been named a winner of the Tripadvisor Travellers' Choice Awards-2026, placing it in the top 10 percent of listings on the platform worldwide.

The Travellers' Choice designation is determined entirely by traveller reviews and ratings collected on Tripadvisor over the 12 months preceding the award, with no entry fee or industry panel involved. 'GRS UpDown,' Mysuru, currently holds a 4.8-star rating on Tripadvisor platform.

The attraction draws roughly 1,000 visitors a day during the summer season, with most travelling from across Karnataka specifically for the photography experience, according to operator Baliga Investments Private Limited. Cumulative footfall has crossed 8 lakh visitors since the attraction opened in June 2020, with over 20 million photographs taken on site in that period.

"We've had visitors come from across Karnataka and beyond since 2020 and this recognition rests on what they wrote about their visit," said Yogesh Dange, Director, Baliga Investments.

The fully air-conditioned space contains 12 themed rooms designed to defy perspective, including a kitchen, living room, dining hall and office setup, alongside vintage car and scooter installations, all engineered to show as gravity-defying images on camera.

The attraction features more than 40 photo and video points, with on-site photographers capturing pictures on visitors' own phones at no extra charge. A visit lasts 45 minutes to an hour.

In 2023, 'GRS UpDown' received the Most Innovative Attraction Award from Indian Association of Amusement Parks and Industries, the national body of Amusement Industry in India.

NEWS BRIEFS

Rly. Pensioners' monthly meeting

The monthly meeting of Railway Pensioners Welfare Association will be held at its office on Seshadri Iyer Road in city on June 13 at 11.30 am. Association General Secretary G.S. Swaminathan will address the pensioners regarding the activities of the Association and also narrate the circulars issued recently. President Parthasarathy will preside over the meeting. Working President R. Basavaraju will be present.

Pratibha Puraskar

The Karnataka Rajya Valmiki Nayakara Hitarakshana Vedike, having office behind Mahishasura Statue atop Chamundi Hill, has invited applications from meritorious students belonging to Nayaka community who have scored more than 85 percent marks in SSLC and II PUC (2025-26) for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar. For registration and details, contact Mob: 77957-61929 or 98802-46878 or 90084-15721 or 87489-93322. Last date for applying is June 30, according to a press release.

Mysuru Meditation Mahayajna

The Pyramid Spiritual Societies Movement (PSSM) will be conducting 'Mysuru Meditation Mahayajna' to eradicate sadness at Sri Bandantamma Kalamma Community Hall on New Kantharaj Urs Road in Saraswathipuram on June 10 from 9 am to 9 pm and on June 11 from 5 am to 5 pm. Grand Master Arun Kumar will lead the Mahayajna. [Mob: 80502-73382]

Dairy Farming workshop

Heart Organisation will be conducting a one-day training workshop on Dairy Farming and Quality Milk Production on June 14 from 10 am to 4 pm at Heart Organisation, Kotehundi (near Ring Road), for farmers, members of women's self-help groups, youths and individuals interested in the dairy farming sector. The workshop will feature experts from the fields of animal husbandry and dairy farming who will provide comprehensive guidance on scientific dairy farming practices. Farmers, aspiring dairy entrepreneurs and other interested individuals may benefit from this training programme. For details, contact Mob: 93536-30903.

Cancer Clinic

A free Cancer Detection Clinic has been organised at Preethi Cancer Centre in Lakshmipuram on June 11 from 10 am to 8 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-4259259, according to a press release.

MP inaugurates Silver Jubilee of K.C. Nagar Residents Welfare Assn.

Mysuru, June 9 (MK&DM)- A host of cultural programmes marked the city's Kempu Cheluvajammanni (K.C.) Nagar Residents Welfare Association's Silver Jubilee celebrations at the locality, foot of Chamundi Hill here, on June 7.

MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar inaugurated the celebrations by lighting a lamp. He also watered a plant as part of World Environment Day.

Speaking on the occasion, Yaduveer said that the life of Yuvarani Kempu Cheluvajammanni (K.C.) is a model for spiritual life.

Stating that the erstwhile Mysore ruler Jayachamaraja Wadiyar was greatly inspired by the life of

K.C. for writing his book 'Dattatreya,' the MP said K.C. is remembered even today as Yuvarani.

"It is happy to note that the Association formed in the name of Kempu Cheluvajammanni is celebrating its Silver Jubilee. Every resident of the layout has contributed for the growth of the locality since its formation. The locality is filled with parks and trees, which is a delightful sight," he noted and assured that the demands for the construction of a welcome arch for K.C. Nagar, construction of Yoga Mantapa in a park and widening of roads will be met in the coming days.

The MP also released a souvenir brought out by the Association on the occasion.

The event featured several cultural programmes which chiefly included Bharatanatyam performance, Police Band Music and 'Geetha Gayana.'

Earlier, Yaduveer Wadiyar was given a traditional 'Poornakumbha' welcome.

Association President H.R. Yogendra presided over the event. Kannada and Culture Department Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, Historian Dharmendra Kumar, Association office-bearers M. Chowdegowda, Channakeshava, T.P. Vishwanath and others were present during the celebrations.

Attempts being made to destroy Hindu traditions in the name of rationalism

Mysuru, June 9 (MTY&DM)- Former Mysuru Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa regretted that attempts are being made to destroy centuries old rich Hindu traditions in the name of rationalism.

He was speaking after unveiling the portrait of Sheela Kaverappa, the Co-founder of Bharani Art Gallery marking the 32nd anniversary of the Gallery located in Vivekanandanagar here on June 7.

Observing that the Britishers, who ruled the country for over two centuries, made attempts to show our rich traditions in poor light through education, Cariappa said, after the Britishers left, the Communists followed them and now, the newly emerged viral 'Cockroach Janta Party' is of the same view.

"Those who fight for the nation's pride are termed as 'Communal'. The fact is that education, arts and history, which shows our culture, traditions and practises in

Former Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa unveiled the portrait of Bharani Art Gallery Co-founder Sheela Kaverappa during the 32nd anniversary celebrations of the Gallery at Vivekanandanagar on June 7 as Artist Baburao Nadoni, Administrative Training Institute (ATI) Joint Director Sadhana Ashok Pote, Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar, Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal and Gallery Convenor N.B. Kaverappa look on.

poor light pose a threat to harmony in the country," he maintained.

Mysuru-based Administrative Training Institute (ATI) Joint Director Sadhana Ashok Pote said that arts do not only mean seeing through the eyes, but also enjoying in the minds. Arts have the power to keep alive human values, she noted.

"Art is a process that welds human feelings and emotions with the soul. Artists fill-in paint to the soul of the society," she said and wished that the Gallery should become a centre for interaction between artists, students and art lovers.

Noting that the theme song for the Government's Sakala Scheme was composed using a Artificial Intelligence (AI) tool in digital platform, Sadhana said, though the theme song was composed, it is not possible to incorporate the emotional feelings of human beings in that.

Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal presided.

Artist Baburao Nadone, Gallery Convenor N.B. Kaverappa, Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar and others were present.

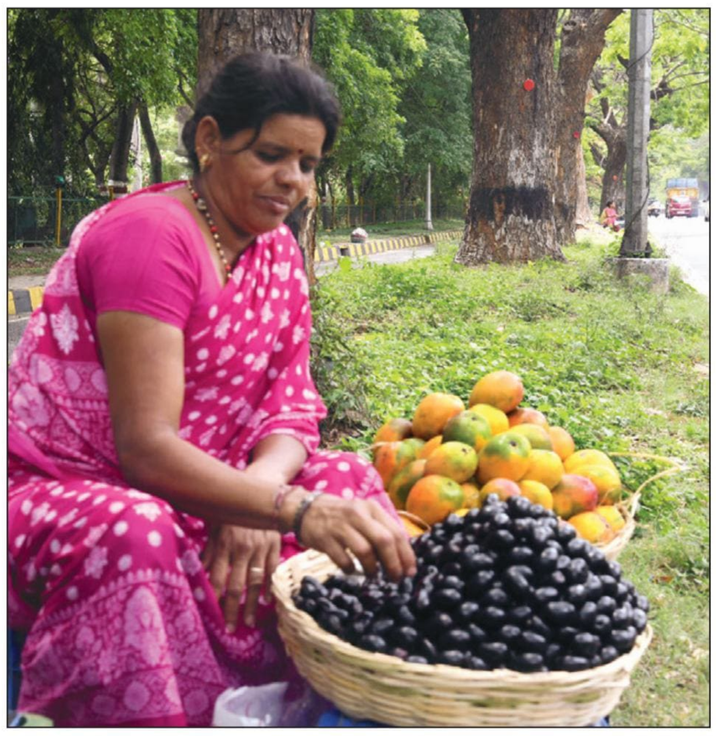
A three-day art exhibition, featuring works of noted artists such as N.B. Kaverappa, L. Shivalingappa, K.C. Mahadeva Shetty, Shivakumar Kesaramadu, C. Chikkanna, Vittal Reddy Chulaki, K.S. Parameshwara, Ashrarani Nadoni, M.L. Madhavi, K. Sangeetha, Shivakumar H. Mandya, Dr. Jamunarani Mirle, D. Abhilash, H.P. Rangaswamy and Mohan Varnikar, organised as part of the 32nd anniversary of Bharani Art Gallery, will conclude today at 7 pm.

Ganabharathi pays tribute to Prof. GTN

FROM LEFT: ***Ganabharathi President H.R. Sundareshan, Dr. T.N. Nagarathna, Senior Scholar Nadoja Dr. T.V. Venkatachala Sastry and Ganabharathi Past President Dr. C.G. Narasimhan seen during the centenary celebrations of Prof. G.T. Narayana Rao (GTN) held at Ganabharathi's Veene Seshanna Bhavan in Kuvempunagar on June 6. Picture right shows Vidu. Pratibha Ramaswamy and Vidu. Janani Murali presenting a unique dance programme titled 'Pratibimba' based on poems of Dr. Da.Ra. Bendre on the occasion.***

Nerale

season begins, markets see brisk sales



Mysuru, June 9 (PM&BCT)- The 'black beauty' Java plum, locally known as 'Nerale', 'Jambu Nerale' or 'Jamun', has begun arriving in Mysuru markets, with brisk trading reported along city roadsides and inside Devaraja Market.

The fruit's distinctive deep purple colour, tangy flavour and reputed medicinal value have sparked a seasonal rush, with citizens lining up not just for its taste, often eaten with a pinch of salt, but also for its perceived benefits in helping manage diabetes.

Native to India, the Java plum tree (Syzygium cumini) typically flowers between February and March, with fruits forming in April-May and ripening by June-July.

Near the Crawford Hall Railway Gate, farmer Rammanahalli Puttaswamy is seen selling fruit harvested daily from his four trees. "Initially, we sold at Rs. 400 per kilo. Now it's Rs. 200," he said. He harvests 10 to 20 kg a day, climbing ladders to pluck each fruit by hand.

"We don't use sprays. Rain at the right time helps, but heavy showers can cause the fruit to drop and go to waste," he added.

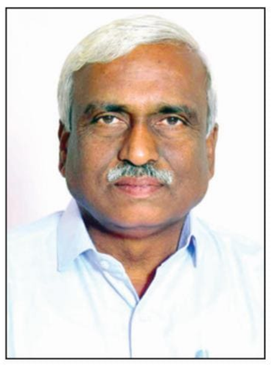
Sourced from other places

At Devaraja Market, trader Rammanahalli Marichikkanna sources Jamun in bulk from villages such as Tagaduru, Yedatore and Hemmaragala. His stock is priced at Rs. 30 for a quarter kilo, Rs. 50 for half a kilo and Rs. 100 per kilo.

Another vendor, Siddamma from Rammanahalli, sells farm-grown Jamun sourced from Bengaluru at Rs. 150 per kilo. Outside the old Deputy Commissioner's office, traders retail fruit sourced from Rammanahalli farms at Rs. 200 per kilo.

'Seeds more effective'

Dr. G.S.K. Swamy, retired Dean of the College of Horticulture, Bengaluru, highlighted the fruit's nutritional and medicinal value. "It is rich in vitamins and supports diabetes control. Earlier, trees grew naturally in forests and fields. Now, awareness has led to planned orchards and improved varieties," he said.



Dr. G.S.K. Swamy

Among the improved varieties is EGJ-85, developed after years of research at Kittur Rani Channamma College of Horticulture. The variety produces larger, pulpier fruit and growing demand has encouraged farmers to take up orchards. Maharashtra's Konkan region has also developed the 'Bahadoli' variety.

He pointed out that Jamun seeds contain potent medicinal properties, with seed powder widely used in diabetes management. Grafted saplings are preferred as they begin yielding within 3-4 years, compared to 7-10 years for seed-grown trees. They also remain shorter, making harvesting easier.

Since fresh Jamun has a short shelf life, growers are increasingly focusing on value-added products such as juices, seed powder and processed goods to extend its market reach.

While wild Jamun tends to be smaller and more seed-heavy, cultivated varieties have more pulp and are preferred for consumption. However, experts say the contain stronger medicinal compounds.

"In future, demand for seeds may surpass fruit. Organically grown Jamun offers multiple health benefits," said Dr. Swamy.

Special Lok Adalat
at Supreme Court from Aug. 21 to 23
'37 cases listed from Mysuru; two settled'

Principal District and Sessions Court Judge K.N. Usharani chairing the meeting of various Department Officers over the action plan to collect pending traffic fine, at the Law Courts Complex in Jayanagar, Mysuru, yesterday as Senior Civil Judge and DLSA Member-Secretary Nagaraj Siddappa Ankasadoddi, Mysore Bar Association President S. Lokesh, SP Mallikarjun Baladandi, DCP (Crime and Traffic) K.S. Sundar Raj and Additional SP C. Mallick look on.

Mysuru, June 9 (PM&BS)- Principal District and Sessions Court Judge K.N. Usharani said that the Supreme Court, under the *'Samadhan Samaroh-2026'* initiative, has convened a Special Lok Adalat across the country from Aug. 21 to 23.

Judge Usharani said that 37 cases from Mysuru district have been listed by the Apex Court, of which two cases have already been settled through mutual agreement in the Court.

She explained that this Special Lok Adalat is applicable only to cases pending before the Supreme Court that are eligible for settlement through mutual consent of the parties. In such cases, Court fees will be refunded and the Lok Adalat order will be final, with no provision for appeal by either party.

Judge Usharani further said that cases taken up under Lok Adalats at the Karnataka High Court and District-level Courts are handled by trained Judicial Services Officers and Mediators. This process helps build a harmonious relationship between disputing parties and facilitates amicable settlement of cases. The list of eligible cases is published on the website of Karnataka State Legal Services Authority (KSLSA) and Benches are constituted in a phased manner to hear these matters.

She added that parties concerned should visit the Video Conference Centres at their respective Legal Services Authority Offices to resolve cases listed for the Special Lok Adalat. Google Forms have also been made available and can be filled in by parties or advocates on or before July 31.

Senior Civil Judge and District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Member-Secretary Nagaraj Siddappa Ankasadoddi said that if parties are unable to attend physically, video conferencing facilities will be provided to ensure participation and settlement of cases.

For details, contact National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) Helpline: **15100** or visit *www.kslsa.kar.nic.in* or reach out to the Member-Secretaries of the respective District or Taluk Legal Services Authorities.

Mysuru's pending traffic fine is Rs. 642 cr.!

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Judge K.N. Usharani noted that traffic fine arrears amounting to Rs. 458 crore are pending within the City Police Commissionerate limits, while Rs. 184 crore is pending under the District Police (Superintendent of Police) limits, taking the total pending amount to Rs. 642 crore.

Addressing a meeting of officials held at the Conference Hall of the new Law Court Complex in Jayanagar yesterday, Judge Usharani said, the rebate facility applies to traffic violation cases booked before May 2026, as well as Transport Department cases registered between 1991 and 2022, as per a State Government notification.

She stressed the need for coordinated efforts between the Police and Transport Department to ensure effective implementation of the scheme. She also informed that during the previous Lok Adalat, 77,41,050 cases were settled, generating Rs. 201 crore in revenue through recovery of pending fines.

District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Member-Secretary & Senior Civil Judge Nagaraj Siddappa Ankasadoddi, Additional SP C. Mallick, Mysore Bar Association President S. Lokesh, Traffic ACP M. Shivashankar and others were present.

More booths to be opened to collect penalties: Police

Mysuru, June 9 (PM&BS)- In response to the action plan to collect pending penalties of Rs. 642,09,76,200 sought by Principal District and Sessions Court Judge K.N. Usharani, Superintendent of Police (SP) Mallikarjun Baladandi said that Police officials are creating awareness at the taluk level as part of the drive.

He said, information is also being disseminated through the 'Mane Mane Police' programme, Police beats and social media platforms.

He added that vehicle owners can voluntarily check their pending traffic fines, while Police teams are also taking action to recover dues from habitual offenders and those deliberately avoiding payment by tracing them.

Deputy Commissioner of Police (Crime and Traffic) K.S. Sundar Raj said that during 2025, when a 50 percent rebate was earlier announced, a total of Rs. 53.5 crore in pending fines was collected in two phases.

He further informed that arrangements are being made to facilitate collections at 18 Civil Police Stations and five Traffic Police Stations. Additional counters will be opened if required to manage public rush during the rebate period.

The Deputy Commissioner of Police also told the meeting that in the previous year, the City Police ranked second in the State in the collection of pending traffic fines, with a total recovery of Rs. 53.5 crore.

Hectic lobbying on for MDA Commissioner's post

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On June 6, *Star of Mysore* had reported that Rakshith was likely to be appointed as the Minister's Private Secretary, linking the development to late-night administrative activity on June 4, when MDA staff reportedly worked beyond midnight to complete formalities ahead of his new assignment, according to sources.

The official transfer order, issued on June 8, was signed by Under-Secretary K.H. Keshavaprasad and released in the name of the Governor of Karnataka.

Rakshith, who has extensive experience in land acquisition and urban development matters, has been transferred with immediate effect to the Minister's office. He is expected to take charge on June 11 after being relieved from MDA on June 10. He will function from Vidhana Soudha, with his office located adjacent to the Minister's chamber.

Hectic lobbying for MDA post

The MDA Commissioner's post is considered a highly sought-after position, given the officer's significant role in Mysuru's urban development and planning decisions.

Following the reconstitution of the erstwhile Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) into the Mysuru Development Authority (MDA), the State Government removed elected representatives from its board, placing it under a structure headed by officers with the Deputy Commissioner as Chairman.

The move was aimed at improving transparency and reducing political interference after allegations of irregularities in MUDA, which came under scrutiny from agencies including the Lokayukta, CID and the Enforcement Directorate.

Women officers in the race

Earlier, IAS Officers were typically appointed as MUDA Commissioners. In the present structure, KAS Officers are posted to the MDA Commissioner's role, making it a key administrative posting in Mysuru's urban governance.

Sources said two senior KAS Officers — University of Mysore Registrar M.K. Savitha and Sri Chamundeshwari Temple Development Authority Secretary M.J. Roopa — are among those who have expressed keen interest and lobbying in the post.

If either Savitha or Roopa is appointed, MDA will get its first woman Commissioner since its reconstitution as MDA.

Siddu's influence

Earlier, postings of officers in the Mysuru region and the city in particular were largely influenced during the tenure of former CM Siddaramaiah.

Sources say officers often approached Siddaramaiah's close confidant Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, seeking plum postings, with Mahadevappa in turn playing a key role in influencing decisions.

However, with Siddaramaiah now out of direct control over such administrative transfers, his influence over postings is said to have significantly reduced.

At the same time, D.K. Shivakumar, who is currently in the CM's chair, has not yet accommodated Dr. Mahadevappa in his Cabinet, further altering the power dynamics in the process of key appointments.

As a result, the final authority in appointing the MDA Commissioner now rests with Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar.

Sources also indicate that officers who have direct access or proximity to the Chief Minister are better positioned to secure such influential postings. It remains to be seen who will eventually be appointed to the coveted MDA Commissioner's post.

Parliamentary delegation visits Golden Temple at Bylakuppe

Members of the Parliamentary Committee on the Welfare of SC and ST, comprising Members from both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, seen during their visit to the Golden Temple in Bylakuppe yesterday.

Kushalnagar, June 9 (AG& BCT)- A Parliamentary Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, comprising Members of Parliament from both the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, arrived in Kodagu yesterday as part of its official tour to Ooty, Kodagu and Mangaluru from June 5 to 10.

The delegation held an initial official engagement in Mangaluru before proceeding to Kodagu district. As part of their visit, the Committee members toured the Namdroling Monastery (Golden Temple) at Bylakuppe, one of the largest Tibetan Buddhist monasteries in India.

The members were received by monastery authorities, who expressed gratitude for the visit and interaction. Following the monastery visit, the delegation reached Madikeri and checked into a resort, where they are staying for their district-level engagements. The team is scheduled to return to Mangaluru after completing its programme.

The Lok Sabha members in the delegation include Dr. Faggan Singh Kulaste, Dr. Mallu Ravi, Parbhubhai Nagarbhai Vasava, Arun Kumar Sagar, Jagannath Sarkar, Alok Kumar Suman, Harish Chandra Meena, Govind Makthappa Kajol, Daggumalla Prasada Rao and Chandra Sekhar. The Rajya Sabha members include P. Wilson, Mithlesh Kumar, Dr. V. Sivadasan, Mamata Thakur and Devendra Pratap Singh.

Officials of the Parliamentary Committee are accompanying the delegation.

Monastery authorities described the visit as a 'great privilege' and conveyed their appreciation to the members and officials, wishing them continued success in their service to the nation.

Car parked on slope moves into Kabini backwaters

H.D. Kote, June 9 (MTY&KS)- A car, which was parked on the slope, moved into Kabini backwaters near Udbur in the taluk and was submerged yesterday evening causing panic among the onlookers. The driver had not engaged the vehicle's hand brake.

Luckily, there was no one in the car at the time and the onlookers heaved a sigh of relief.

Antharasanthe Sub-Inspector Chandrahas, speaking to *Star of Mysore* said that as soon as they got information about the car getting submerged, they rushed to the spot.

Finally, fishermen and expert swimmers and divers, using a coracle went to the spot where the car was submerged and the divers secured the car with a rope and tied the other end of the rope to a tractor, which pulled the car out of the river at about 7.30 pm.

As water level has receded in

Kabini backwaters, tourists are thronging the place along with their families.

According to the public, tourists, especially youths, who arrive here carry food, liquor and plastic water bottles, which they later discard carelessly and sometimes throw the wastes, including leftover food and bottles into the river.

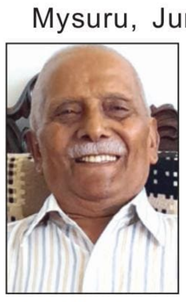
They have urged the authorities to take steps to prevent such incidents in future and save the river and its surroundings from being polluted.

Antharasanthe Police have registered a case.

Obituary

Ponjanda S. Arjuna

Mysuru, June 9- Ponjanda S. Arjuna (90), retired Dy.SP and a resident of Srirampura, passed away yesterday in city.



He leaves behind two sons Ponjanda A. Ganapathy (Gappana), President of Kodava Samaja Mysuru and Girish, daughter Nellira Kavitha and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon, according to family sources.

Skill Training

Mysuru, June 9- The Rural Development and Self Employment Training Institute (RUDSETI), Mysuru, will be conducting the following Skill Training programme at its premises in Hinkal: Beauty Parlour Management - June 16 to July 20; Embroidery & Fabric Painting - June 18 to July 18; Computer Tally - June 24 to July 31; Mobile Repair & Services - July 6 to Aug. 6.

All the programmes are free of cost including boarding and lodging. Candidates, aged between 18 to 50 years, who can read and write in Kannada, are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to rural BPL candidates. Interested may submit an application with mobile number, photocopies of Aadhaar card and Ration card.

Candidates will be selected based on direct interview.

For details, contact Ph: 0821-2519663 or Mob: 98440-13948.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients, **Mr. Vinod Soni and Mrs. Anu Soni,** intend to purchase Property No.457, E-Aasthi No. 12-6-680-572, measuring 108 Sq.Meter (East-West 9 meter and North-South 12 meter), situated at Nachanahalli (J.P.Nagar) 2nd Stage, Khille Mohalla, Mysore, bounded by East: Property No.458, West: Property No.456, North: Property No.426 and South: Road, from **Sri K.Mahadeva**, S/o Kempanna, residing at No.262, Suyez Farm Road, Kanakagiri, Mysore.

Any person having any right, title, interest, claim, encumbrance or objection over the said property shall notify the same with supporting documents to the undersigned or to Mr. Vinod Soni (Mob: 9945624605) within **10 days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the proposed purchase will be completed and no subsequent claims shall be entertained.

Sd/- **C.R. Seetharam**
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ADVERTISEMENT No. 11/2026 Dated: June 02, 2026

AIISH, Mysore invites applications for Assistant Grade III (Hindi) - 01 post to be filled on contractual basis at the Institute. The detailed advertisement and applications for the same has been hosted in our Institute **website i.e., www.aiishmysore.in**

Interested candidates who meet the requirement, may send their Applications along with Self attested copy of necessary certificates in support of their DOB Proof, Educational certificates i.e., PUC or equivalent qualification, experience certificates (if any), and other relevant certificates to be submitted to Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, All India Institute of Speech and Hearing, Manasagangothri, Mysore 570006 **on or before 19.06.2026 at 5.30 PM.**

Dated: 04.06.2026 **Sd/- Director**

PUBLIC NOTICE

FORM NO. INC-26

[Pursuant to rule 30 the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014] Advertisement to be published in the newspaper for change of registered office of the company from one state to another

Before the Central Government (Regional Director, South-East Region)

In the matter of sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Companies Act, 2013 and clause (a) of sub-rule (5) of rule 30 of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014

AND

In the matter of **Serine Pharma Private Limited (CIN NO: U24304KA2022PTC160444)** having its registered office at **"No.3836 Bh 16/1a, 3rd Main Road, Thilaknagara, Mysore, Mysuru, Karnataka 570021, India" ....Petitioner**

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the company proposes to make application to the Central Government under section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013 seeking confirmation of alteration of the Memorandum of Association of the Company in terms of the special resolution passed at the Extra ordinary general meeting held on dated Wednesday, 20th May, 2026 to enable the company to change its Registered Office from **"State of Karnataka" to "State of Telangana".**

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the registered office of the company may deliver **either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing** investor complaint form or cause to be delivered or send by registered post of his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and grounds of opposition to the Regional Director at the address **3rd Floor, Corporate Bhawan, Bandlaguda, Nagole, Hyderabad, Telangana-500068** within fourteen days of the date of publication of this notice with a copy of the applicant company at its registered office at the address mentioned below:

"No.3836 Bh 16/1a, 3rd Main Road, Thilaknagara, Mysore, Mysuru, Karnataka 570021"

Email - dr[dot]islambaharul[at]gmail[dot]com

For and on behalf of the Serine Pharma Private Limited
SHAHIDUL ISLAM, Director
DIN : 09583689

Date :2nd June 2026, Place : Mysore

'Mali' remembered...

T.R. Mahalingam, fondly known as Mali by generations of admirers, was a doyen among Karnatak music flautists. The revolutionary changes he introduced to flute playing continue to influence and inspire flautists even today. To commemorate the 40th death anniversary of this legendary musician, who passed away on May 31, 1986, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha had organised a three-day Flute Festival from May 29 to 31.

The programme was sponsored by the late Vidwan A.V. Prakash, himself a distinguished flautist who revered Mali as his guru.

Three eminent flautists from Karnataka — **Vidwans Mysore A. Chandankumar, Rakesh Sudhir** and **M.K. Pranesh** — presented concerts on the three evenings. They were accompanied by **H.N. Bhaskar** (violin), **Arjunkumar** (mridanga), **Sharath Kaundinya** (ghata), **M.D. Arjun** (violin), **Pranav Subramanya** (mridanga), **Achyuta Rao** (violin), **H.L. Shivashankar Swamy** (mridanga) and **V.S. Ramesh** (morching).

Mysore A. Chandankumar

Rakesh Sudhir

M.K. Pranesh

A. Chandankumar, who performed on the opening day, hails from a family of musicians. Known for his powerful blowing and impeccable gayaki style, he began the concert with the Adi tala varna Karunimpa in Raga Shahana, rendered in two speeds along with a tisra variation.

The highlights of the evening were his scholarly presentations of Nasikabhushini and Bilahari. Among the compositions, Ranganayaki (Muthuswami Dikshitar), Maaravairi Ramani (Tyagaraja) and Smara Sadaa Manasa (Swati Tirunal Maharaja) were rendered with appropriate gamakas, doing full justice to the composers' intent. His mature manodharma was evident in both the alapanas and kalpanaswaras.

H.N. Bhaskar, one of the most sought-after violinists today, enhanced the musical experience with his melodious bowing. Arjunkumar and Sharath Kaundinya contributed significantly with their lively and sensitive percussion support. The concert concluded on a soothing note with Tulasidasa's popular bhajan, Sri Ramachandra Kripalu.

Rakesh Sudhir, another gifted flautist, was groomed by none other than Vidwan A.V. Prakash. He has also trained in vocal music under Vidushi Rajalakshmi and violin under Vidwan H.K. Narasimhamurthy. His unwavering adherence to classicism is among the first qualities that impress listeners and the influence of his guru is evident in his playing.

Among the compositions he presented, M. Balamuralikrishna's Gam Ganapathim stood out for its uniqueness. The raga employs only three notes — Sa, Ga and Pa — making it a challenge for both composer and performer to sustain interest and creativity. Rakesh rose to the occasion admirably, bringing the composition alive and engaging the audience despite its inherent limitations. Instead of the more commonly heard Khamasdaru of Muthaiah Bhagavatar, his choice of Sri Rajarajeshwari in Hindustani Kapi was refreshing.

Another rare composition, Devi Kamalalaye (Garudadhwani) by Mysore Vasudevacharya, was presented with crisp and imaginative kalpanaswaras.

His delineation of Shuddha Saveri was a fine demonstration of his rich manodharma. Tyagaraja's Kaalaharaṇamelara was rendered with depth and sensitivity. Together, Rakesh and M.D. Arjun brought out the essence of Bhairavi beautifully in Lalithe Sri Pravruddhe. Young Pranav Subramanya provided commendable rhythmic support throughout the concert.

The final day featured noted flautist M.K. Pranesh, who was conferred the title 'Venu Brahma' before his concert. He was accompanied by Achyuta Rao on violin, H.L. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and V.S. Ramesh on the morching. Pranesh's playing reflected his gentle personality and deep musical sensitivity. His blowing was soft, melodious and imbued with devotion. This quality permeated every aspect of his performance. There was an unmistakable serenity and spiritual depth in his presentation of ragas such as Sri, Begada, Latangi, Mukhari and Mayamalavagowla.

His selection of compositions was equally commendable. Sri Varalakshmi (Muthuswami Dikshitar), Nadopasana (Tyagaraja), Chittashuddhilladava (Purandara Dasa) and Meru Samana (Tyagaraja) were all rendered with profound devotion and emotional intensity.

Hisalapanas unfolded unhurriedly, like a gently flowing river. Shruti shuddham and tonal softness were the hallmarks of his flute playing. Particularly impressive were the imaginative variations he explored in the kalpanaswaras of Meru Samana in Mayamalavagowla, employing different nadais with remarkable skill.

Achyuta Rao followed the mood of the music beautifully while adding his own thoughtful contributions. Shivashankar Swamy and Ramesh were at their very best, providing exemplary support.

The three-day festival was a fitting and meaningful tribute to the great maestro T.R. Mahalingam, whose musical legacy continues to resonate through generations of flautists and rasikas alike.

—Dr. Rama V. Bennur

'Music is a confluence of culture, discipline, dedication & beauty'

Mysuru, June 9- Music-lovers gathered for **Swaralaya Cultural Celebration-2026,** organised by Swaralaya Sangeetha Samsthe with sponsorship from the Department of Kannada and Culture, Bengaluru, recently. The event held at the auditorium of Kannada Sahitya Parishat in Vijayanagar 1st Stage brought together musicians, artistes and cultural enthusiasts.

Inaugurating the programme by lighting the lamp, noted music educator Vidushi Dr. Malathi Gopalakrishna congratulated Vidushi Dr. Suma Harinath, who has nurtured Swaralaya for 35 years with unwavering dedication, patience and the extraordinary strength of womanhood.

She noted that Swaralaya has not only taught music but has also filled homes with the resonance of melody and instilled confidence in countless students through the power of art.

Explaining the significance of the institution's name, she said, "*Swa* represents pure thoughts, *Ra* symbolises the enchanting world of ragas, *La* signifies the grace of rhythm and *Ya* stands for a culture that endures through generations. Swaralaya is not merely a place where music is taught; it is a confluence of culture, discipline, dedication and beauty."

She emphasised that music is far more than an art form. "It brings joy to the mind, strength to the soul and gives expression to emotions. Music reaches places where words cannot. It has the power to comfort a troubled heart and make moments of happiness even more beautiful," she added.

Referring to India's rich musical heritage, Vidushi Dr. Malathi observed that music has traditionally been regarded as a form of divine worship. Great composers such as Tyagaraja, Purandara Dasa and Muthuswami Dikshitar used music not merely for entertainment but as a path of devotion and a way of life.

"The service rendered by Swaralaya in passing on this great tradition to future generations is truly commendable," she said, wishing the institution continued success.

Poet and writer Vidushi Vani Subbayya, who was the chief guest, recited a poem she had composed about Swaralaya.

Swaralaya Founder-President Vidushi Dr. Suma Harinath presided over the event which began with an invocation by G. Godha and G. Kumar Achyutha, while Swaralaya Secretary H.S. Shrikantamani compered.

The cultural segment that followed featured a music therapy workshop conducted by music teacher Sudha Krishnan. This was followed by a devotional music recital by Radhavani, accompanied by violinist Vid. C. Chetan and mridanga artiste Vid. V. Shyam.

The programme concluded with staging of the play *'Nammura Shaale'* ('Our Village School'), directed by Leelavathi and performed by members of Swaralaya, bringing the cultural celebration to a memorable close.

Season-2 of KHPL from July 3 to 5

10 franchises take part in players' auction, total of 174 players drafted to various teams

A group photo of the Mysuru Kodava Samaja Youth Wing team, who will be hosting the Kodava Hockey Premier League in Mysuru.

Mysuru, June 9- The stage is set for the second edition of the **Kodava Hockey Premier League (KHPL),** with organisers successfully conducting the player auction ahead of the much-anticipated tournament scheduled to be held from July 3 to 5 at the Chamundi Vihar Stadium Hockey Turf in city.

Organised by the Kodava Samaja Youth Wing Mysuru in association with Kodava Samaja, Mysuru, under the aegis of Hockey Mysore, KHPL has emerged as a unique franchise-based hockey competition aimed at promoting the sport while nurturing emerging talent from the Kodava community.

The player auction, held at a private hotel in city, witnessed enthusiastic participation from franchise owners, players, community leaders and hockey enthusiasts.

More than 268 players had registered for the league, from which 174 players were drafted across 10 franchise teams, while 30 icon players were retained by their respective franchises.

Every franchise squad comprises 18 players and is mandated to include two U-18 players and one woman player. The format provides young players with an opportunity to share the dressing room and playing field alongside experienced professional and national-level players, thereby gaining valuable exposure, mentorship and first-hand learning experiences.

The auction ceremony was attended by Kodava Samaja Mysuru President Ponjanda Ganapathy, Vice-President Machimada P. Nanaiah, Treasurer Kottangada Pemmaiah, Pandanda Bopanna and Muddanda Rashin Subbaiah besides several office-bearers and members of the Kodava community.

A symbolic highlight of the event was the ceremonial handover of the rolling trophy by Pale Taluk, champions of the inaugural edition, marking the commencement of another competitive season.

Organisers have confirmed that all matches of KHPL Season-2 will also be telecast live on YouTube, enabling supporters and hockey enthusiasts worldwide to follow the three-day tournament.

According to the organisers, KHPL has evolved into more than just a sporting competition, serving as a platform for youth empowerment, grassroots hockey development and community engagement. Several players associated with previous editions have progressed to higher levels of competition, underscoring the league's growing contribution to the sport.

With an expected footfall of over 8,000 spectators and a projected digital reach exceeding 20,000 viewers through live streaming, KHPL Season-2 is expected to draw significant attention from hockey enthusiasts.

The three-day tournament promises high-quality hockey action, competitive rivalries and a celebration of the Kodava community's longstanding contribution to Indian hockey.

For further information interested may contact Kodaga Samaja Youth Wing President Varun Nanjappa Hanchettira on Mob: 89519-49351 or e-mail: *ksywmysuru@gmail.com.*

THE TEN TEAMS

The ten teams competing in KHPL Season-2 are:

1. **Pale Taluk**
2. **Connecting Kodavas**
3. **Kodavu Warriors**
4. **Anjigeri Naad**
5. **Coorg United**
6. **South Side Rangers**
7. **Team Kodava Tribe**
8. **Coorg Titans**
9. **Kakot Strikers**
10. **MTB Royals**

MYSORE RACES 2026

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

'CROWN DRIVE'

for Amba Vilas Palace Trophy

Mysuru, June 9- Following are the selections for the 3rd day of Mysore Summer Races to be held here on Wednesday — June 10, 2026:

1.	1.30 PM	**THE ARAKALGUDU PLATE**	
		1100 mts. - 3 Years (TERMS)	
		1. STORMRIDER	*2. PILOT OFFICER*
2.	2.00 PM	**THE CHAITANYA CHAKRAM PLATE - DIV. II**	
		1100 mts. - rated 00 to 25	
		1. JUST BLUES	*2. OUR ASSET*
3.	2.30 PM	**THE MALAVALLI PLATE - DIV. II**	
		1400 mts. - rated 20 to 45	
		1. IRON KING	*2. WALTER*
4.	3.00 PM	**THE CHAITANYA CHAKRAM PLATE - DIV. I**	
		1100 mts. - rated 00 to 25	
		1. WINDBORNE	*2. PURPLE MARTINI*
5.	3.30 PM	**THE MALAVALLI PLATE - DIV. I**	
		1400 mts. - rated 20 to 45	
		1. O MANCHALI	*2. CLOUDY HILLS*
6.	4.00 PM	**THE AMBA VILAS PALACE TROPHY**	
		1200 mts. - rated 80 and Above	
		1. CROWN DRIVE	*2. GOLD KITE*
7.	4.30 PM	**THE BIDADI PLATE**	
		1600 mts. - rated 20 to 45	
		1. COSETTE	*2. SADA*
8.	5.00 PM	**THE KOLLEGAL PLATE**	
		1400 mts. - rated 40 to 65	
		1. KLIMT	*2. BALGOWNIE*

DAY'S BEST: *CROWN DRIVE*

DOUBLE: *1. WINDBORNE 2. COSETTE*

JACKPOT: *4, 5, 6, 7, 8* ***MINI JACKPOT:*** *5, 6, 7, 8*

I TREBLE: *1, 2, 3* ***II TREBLE:*** *3, 4, 5* ***III TREBLE:*** *6, 7, 8*

EXACTAS: *1 to 8*

—Tipster PGC

Yoga Day at Palace on June 21

Mysuru, June 9 (MK&DM)- The district administration will celebrate the 12th International Day of Yoga (IDY) at Mysore Palace premises on June 21.

Presiding over a preparatory meeting at the Deputy Commissioner's Office here yesterday, Additional DC R. Aishwarya said that people must continue to practise yoga all throughout the year and not just on the International Yoga Day.

Stressing on the need for making yoga as a part of life, she said yogasanas will help revive the muscles and nerves in our body.

"The Yoga Day will begin with the performance of yoga exercises in the Palace premises at 6 am on June 21. The performance of various asanas would go on till 8 am, in which several Yoga Associations from across the district will take part," she said.

"MCC has been tasked with supply of drinking water and maintenance of hygiene and cleanliness, while the Palace Board will erect platform and public address systems and the Police Department will take care of bandobust for the mega event," she said.

D. Srihari, President, Yoga Federation of Mysore, said it has been planned to make Mysuru a yoga hub by arranging yoga performances at 120 places across the city on June 21. Preparations are also underway for ensuring the participation of at least 1.2 lakh performers along with 1,200 Yoga Trainers, he added.

A poster on International Yoga Day at Mysuru was released at meeting attended by District AYUSH Officer Dr. Renukadevi, Tourism Department Assistant Director Dr. V.M. Prabhuswamy, ACP Rajendra and representatives of Yoga Associations.

WORD OF THE DAY

MacGyver

Pronunciation: To MacGyver something is to make, form or repair it with materials that are conveniently on hand.

Origin: Angus MacGyver, as portrayed by actor Richard Dean Anderson in the titular, action-packed television series MacGyver, was many things — including a secret agent, a Swiss Army knife enthusiast and a convert to vegetarianism — but he was no MacGuffin (a character that keeps the plot in motion despite lacking intrinsic importance). In fact, so memorable was this man, his mullet and his ability to use whatever was available to him — often simple things, such as a paper clip, chewing gum or a rubber band — to escape a sticky situation or to make a device to help him complete a mission, that people began associating his name with making quick fixes or finding innovative solutions to immediate problems. Hence the verb MacGyver, a slang term meaning to "make, form, or repair (something) with what is conveniently on hand." After years of steadily increasing and increasingly varied usage following the show's run from 1985 to 1992 (tracked in some detail here), MacGyver was added to online dictionary in 2022.

Example: "Maybe your shovel broke the first time you tried to clear wet, heavy snow off your sidewalk and you never replaced it. ... Of course, before you start MacGyvering a shovel from spare parts in your garage, you can ask a neighbour for assistance or make a few phone calls and pay for a service to clear your driveway or sidewalks." — Caroline Anschutz, SlashGear.com, 28 Jan. 2026.

THE ODD WORD

Macon

Smoked salted mutton.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Level playing field

Meaning: The phrase 'Level playing field' refers to a fair competition.

Origin: The origin of the phrase 'Level playing field' can be found in team sports that are played on perfectly level fields without a slope that would give one team an advantage over another one. The first record of the term's use in print comes from a January, 1977 issue of the *Tyrone Daily Herald:* "Our philosophy is that we have no problem competing with the mutual savings banks if they start from the level playing field," Bolger said. [John Bolger, lobbyist for the U.S. Banker's Association].

Example: "I feel like there's a level playing field as far as my opportunities for job advancement go."

QUOTE BOX

I am not afraid of an army of lions led by a sheep; I am afraid of an army of sheep led by a lion. **—Alexander the Great**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Up to you.

SUDOKU

			7			6	2	
		8			4		7	
7					8	9		
2		4	3					
	9	1				7	3	
					2	4		5
		5	8					9
	6		2			3		
	1	2			7			

Answer to previous puzzle

6	9	8	7	3	4	2	1	5
5	2	4	8	1	9	6	3	7
7	1	3	6	2	5	8	4	9
3	6	2	5	7	1	9	8	4
4	5	7	2	9	8	3	6	1
9	8	1	3	4	6	7	5	2
2	3	6	1	5	7	4	9	8
8	4	5	9	6	2	1	7	3
1	7	9	4	8	3	5	2	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

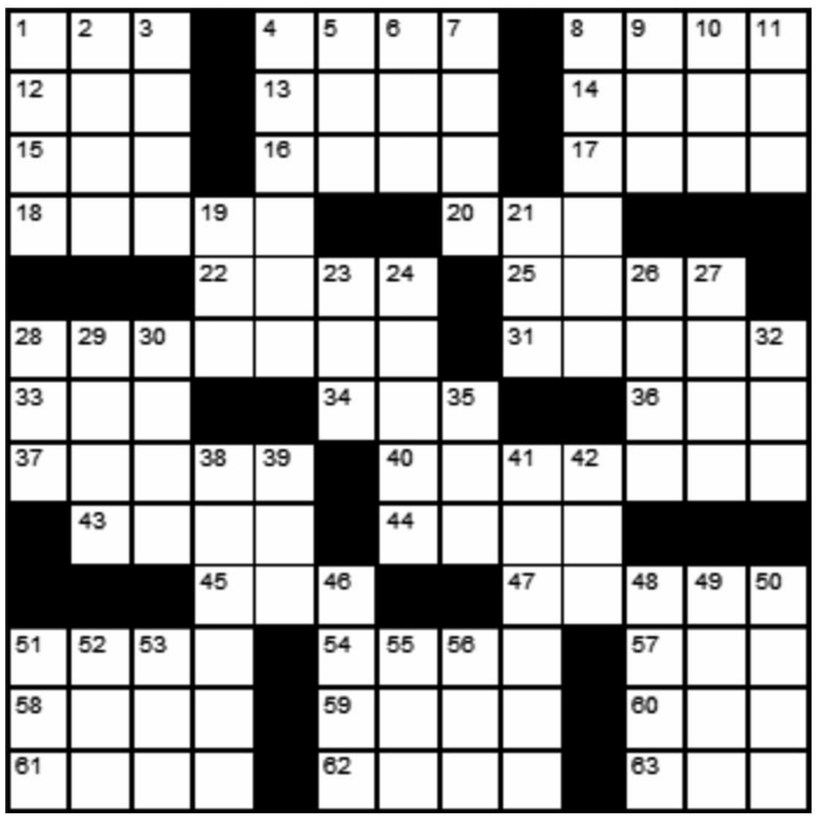
1 Kind
4 Self-satisfied
8 Tel ser. provider in New Delhi and Mumbai
12 Soc. of Auto. Engrs.
13 In good health
14 Musical instrument
15 Internet Service Provider
16 You too in Latin (2,2)
17 Ornamental band
18 Gather on threads
20 Floor covering
22 French preposition
25 Fr. miss
28 Well bred, of a person
31 Passing away
33 Peer or be nosey
34 Maui garland
36 National Defence Academy, in short
37 Make a face
40 Suitability
43 And others, abbreviated, in Latin (2,2)
44 Beget
45 U-turn from NNW
47 Longing to scratch
51 A group of southern African native warriors
54 Guitarist ___ Clapton
57 Open land
58 Eire or Ireland?
59 A really cosy corner
60 Short for amplifier
61 Circular band
62 What the Japanese spend?
63 They were, but he ___?

DOWN

1 Egyptian goddess
2 Flexible part of a whip
3 Military cap
4 Deflect or turn aside
5 Encountered or came across
6 Ultimo, in short
7 Dejected
8 Largely
9 TV Guide abbreviation
10 Rejections
11 Town in Ladakh
19 Large mouse
21 Intel competitor
23 Long fish
24 Musical symbols
26 Queue
27 Terminates
28 Family doctors in short?
29 Sea-eagle
30 Russian no
32 Natural power source
35 Three for the Roman
38 Making more comfortable?
39 Literary monogram
41 Magician's feats
42 Meshed fabric
46 Counting-out starter
48 Scratch with nails
49 Bollywood's ___ Malini
50 Talks noisily or foolishly
51 Comparative ending ?
52 Imaging technique used as a diagnostic aid
53 Postal Index No.
55 Fish eggs
56 Electrically charged particle

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

L	A	D		P	U	L	P			T	A	D
A	M	I		I	N	P	U	T		H	I	E
I	L	A		L	I	S	T	S		I	A	F
C	A	L	L	A				A	S	S	A	Y
			Y	U	M		I	R	K			
I	L	I	E		A	M	D		Y	A	N	K
L	I	L			S	O	L			R	O	O
K	I	L	O		O	N	E		A	I	D	S
			B	A	N		D	A	M			
C	L	A	I	M				E	C	O	L	E
H	E	S		B	E	I	N	G		A	U	R
I	N	K		O	M	A	N	I		F	D	R
T	T	S			U	S	E	S		S	O	S



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

YJFFSLR OX TLZ DJLQVJFS MU W YVEE FTNLURFTZ

LY GPWZ OX SFXOJFS, MVZ MU

QLTZJLEEOTH ZPWZ SFXOJF.

TODAY'S CLUE: H EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The loftier the building, the deeper must the foundation be laid.

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	(S-3)	11 am, 4.40 pm, 9.50 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	(S-1)	11.20 am
Peddi (Te)	(S-1)	1.55 pm, 8.30 pm
	(S-4)	9.45 am, 4 pm
Peddi (K)	(S-2)	1 pm
Bandar (H)	(S-1)	5.40 pm; (S-2) 7 pm
Mango Pachcha (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am, 4.50 pm; (S-3) 7.35 pm
Mollywood Times (Ma)	(S-2)	10 pm
He Man & The Masters of Universe (E)	(S-3)	1.40 pm
	(S-4)	7.40 pm
Obsession (E)	(S-4)	1.35 pm, 10.30 pm

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Mango Pachcha (K)	:	10.25 am, 12.25 pm, 7.45 pm
Alexander (K)	:	10.50 am
Peddi (K)	:	11 am, 2.30 pm, 7.45 pm
Peddi (Te)	:	12.35 pm, 4.10, 6 pm, 9.30 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	1.20 pm
Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	2.25 pm, 5.05 pm, 9.45 pm
Parimala and Co (Ta)	:	3.50 pm
Blast (Ta)	:	6.30 pm
Mollywood Times (Ma)	:	9.20 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Peddi (Te)	:	9 am, 11.45 am, 3.45 pm 6.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Peddi (K)	:	10.20 am, 6 pm
Peddi (H)	:	2.10 pm, 9.50 pm
Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	9.05 am, 12.50 pm, 3.35 pm 7.35 pm, 10.20 pm
Mango Pachcha (K)	:	9.05 am, 12.35 pm, 5.10 pm 8 pm, 9.45 pm
He- Man and The Masters of The Universe (E)	:	10 am, 12.55 pm 6.45 pm, 9.40 pm
Obsession (E)	:	10.15 am, 2.45 pm 7.20 pm, 10.10 pm
Drishyam 3 (Ma)	:	11 am
Blast (Ta)	:	2.15 pm
Parimala and Co (Ta)	:	3.50 pm
Michael (E)	:	5.15 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Mango Pachcha (K)	:	9.55 am, 2.45 pm, 7.50 pm
Peddi (Te)	:	10 am, 1.50 pm 5.40 pm, 9.30 pm
Peddi (K)	:	1.05 pm, 10 pm
Peddi (H)	:	10.30 pm
Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	10.10 am, 11.50 am 4.55 pm, 7.35 pm
He- Man and The Masters of The Universe (E)	:	1.40 pm, 7.25 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	4.55 pm
Mollywood Times (Ma)	:	10.20 pm

Joyalukkas Foundation distributes School Kits to 13,000 children

Kochi, June 9- Joyalukkas Foundation has distributed School Kits to 13,000 students from socially and economically disadvantaged families at the beginning of this new academic year.

The initiative benefits children across Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Odisha as part of its continued commitment to social welfare and educational empowerment. Each student receives a comprehensive school kit comprising a high-quality school bag, notebooks, pencil box, lunch box, water bottle and umbrella. The kits are intended for students from LKG to Class 4.

The programme forms part of Joyalukkas Foundation's broader social outreach efforts aimed at supporting marginalised communities across India. Through this initiative, the Foundation seeks to ensure that every child, regardless of financial background, can begin the academic year with confidence and the necessary learning essentials.

By easing the burden on families and equipping children with essential school supplies, the Foundation hopes to contribute to a more inclusive and encouraging educational experience.

The school kits were distributed through Joyalukkas Showrooms in the respective States as schools reopened for the new academic year.

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 9)

- **Bharani Art Gallery:** Art Exhibition, Gallery premises, 3rd Main, 6th Cross, Vivekananda Nagar, **up to 7 pm.** [Mob: 94485-54221]
- **Sri Krishna Temple, Gokulam:** Adhika Masa, Vishnu Sahasranama Patana, Discourse on 'Sri Krishna' by G.C. Puttaswamy, Prasada Viniyoga, Temple premises, Gokulam, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust:** Adhika Masa pujas, discourse on 'Anjananandanotsav - Sri Sundarakanda' by N.K. Ramasheshan, Sri Rama Mandira premises, Vinoba Road, Shivarampet, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 10)

- **Sri Krishna Temple, Gokulam:** Adhika Masa, Vishnu Sahasranama Patana, Discourse on 'Sri Krishna' by G.C. Puttaswamy, Prasada Viniyoga, Temple premises, Gokulam, **6 pm.**
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MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	8.50 am, 12.50 pm, 7.35, 10.20 pm
Peddi (Te)	:	9 am, 3.45 pm, 10.30 pm
Peddi (K)	:	11.45 am, 3.15 pm 6.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Peddi (H)	:	10 pm
He- Man and The Masters of The Universe (E)	:	9.55 am, 3.35 pm
Mango Pachcha (K)	:	10.15 am, 3.15 pm, 7.50 pm
Parimala and Co (Ta)	:	12.20 pm
Obsession (E)	:	12.50 pm, 5.25 pm, 7.05 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	9.45 am, 4.30 pm 7.25 pm, 10.20 pm
Peddi (Te)	:	10 am, 1.50 pm 5.40 pm, 9.30 pm
Peddi (K)	:	12.40 pm, 4.30 pm, 10.30 pm
He- Man and The Masters of The Universe (E)	:	10.25 am, 7.15 pm
Mango Pachcha (K)	:	12.10 pm, 2.20 pm, 8.20 pm
Blast (Ta)	:	1.20 pm
Parimala and Co (Ta)	:	4.20 pm
Mollywood Times (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

BJS holds 'Eco Festa'

Mysuru, June 9- Bharatiya Jain Sanghatan (BJS), Mysuru, successfully conducted 'Eco Festa 2026 — Tree-mendous Green Drive' at Geeta Mandir Government School in city recently.

The session commenced with *Manglacharan* by BJS Ladies Wing Chairperson Sharmila Dhoka, who delivered the welcome address and introduced the guest speaker Kokila Ramesh Golecha.

The students were given a Plant Diary Activity to record the date of sowing the seed, first sprout, first leaf and names of birds and living beings around the plants.

Sthanakwasi Jain Yuva Sangh President Navratan Darla, Secretary Rajendra Desarla, BJS Mysuru Chapter President Rajan Baghmar, Chief Secretary Deepak Bohra, Treasurer Manohar Sankhala, Vice-President Sunil Patwa, Joint Secretary Navratanmal Pitliya and Members Yeshwant Mutha, Vikram Kawad, Prakash Gandhi, Mahaveer Dhoka and Gowtham Patwa, BJS Ladies Wing Chairperson Sharmila Dhoka, Chief Secretary Seema Bohra, Vice-President Santosh Salecha, Joint Secretary Aneeta Gadiya, Members Bindu Baghmar, Sangeetha Gulecha, Rasna Lodha, Reeta Jain and Priyanshi Batewara were present.

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